

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace paragraph on page 16, lines 4-11, with the following rewritten paragraph:

More specifically, the cleaning sheet 22 has a thickness ranging from 10 to 100  $\mu\text{m}$ , and preferably 25 to 75  $\mu\text{m}$ . In the present embodiment, the cleaning sheet having a thickness of 50  $\mu\text{m}$  is used. Further, an abrasive may be applied to the surface of the cleaning sheet 22. This makes it possible to more effectively remove the electric discharge products and the like deposited on the electrode 14.

Please replace paragraph on page 16, lines 12-15, with the following rewritten paragraph:

For example, silicon carbide, silicon nitride, cerium oxide, ferric oxide, chromic oxide and alumina can be used as the abrasive, and the particle diameter is 0.01 to 2  $\mu\text{m}$ , preferably 0.01 to 1  $\mu\text{m}$ .